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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed more than three months after the filing date of this application and after the mailing date of the first Office Action, but before the mailing date of any final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in this application.

The fee of \$180.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed.

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PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified PTO/SB/08). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application:

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>
12/084,542	05-05-2008	Burton et al.	*C0989.70089US01
12/311,377	03-26-2009	Gouveia et al.	*C0989.70090US02
12/498,966	07-07-2009	Neely et al.	*C0989.70046US02
12/448,800	07-09-2009	Patil et al.	*C0989.70095US03
12/573,758	10-05-2009	Patil	*C0989.70103US01

*A copy of this reference is not provided as the Office has waived the requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(iii) for submitting a copy of a cited U.S. patent application if it is scanned to the Image File Wrapper system and is available on Private PAIR.

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed search report from a corresponding International or Foreign National Application.

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Date of Mailing</u>	<u>Type(s) of Communication</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>
PCT/US02/17124	September 19, 2002	International Search Report	C0989.70017WO00
PCT/US02/17124	May 23, 2003	Written Opinion	C0989.70017WO00
PCT/US02/17124	November 13, 2003	International Preliminary Exam Report	C0989.70017WO00
02737289.5	February 6, 2006	Supplementary European Search Report	C0989.70017EP00

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following other information:

Office Communication mailed 04/13/2004 for Application No. 09/875779 (C0989.70017US00)

Office Communication mailed 03/22/2004 for Application No. 09/875779 (C0989.70017US00)

Notice of Allowance mailed 10/05/2004 for Application No. 09/875779 (C0989.70017US00)

Supplemental Notice of Allowability mailed 01/06/2005 for Application No. 09/875779 (C0989.70017US00)

Office Communication mailed 09/17/2002 for Application No. 09/636793 (C0989.70030US00)

Office Communication mailed 01/14/2003 for Application No. 09/636793 (C0989.70030US00)

Notice of Allowance mailed 10/07/2003 for Application No. 09/636793 (C0989.70030US00)

Office Communication mailed 6/27/2003 for Application No. 09/783,472 (C0989.70031US00)

Notice of Allowance mailed 2/3/2004 for Application No. 09/783,472 (C0989.70031US00)

PART III: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 (modified PTO/SB/08) be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

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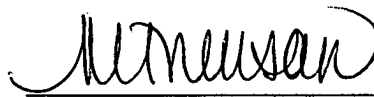
By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his or her own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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